

CITY OF EL PASO
BUILDING & STANDARDS COMMISSION BOARD PANELs A & B
2ND FLOOR, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
January 12, 2011
5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

The Building & Standards Commission Panels A & B including alternates held a public hearing in City Council Chambers, 2nd floor of the City Hall Building on Wednesday, January 12, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Board Members Present:

Roman Bustillos
Matt Bohannon
Lorraine Huit
Paul Zacour
Federico Perez
James Erickson
Ira Barbe
Anibal Olague
Gerado Licon
Kelly Sorenson
Robert C. Filarski
Roman Hernandez
Tommy Razloznik
Herschel Stringfield (alternate)
James Ratliff (alternate)
Gracie Cain (alternate)
Carlos Torres (alternate)
Armando Uranga (alternate)
Ben Bohannon (alternate)

Absent Members:

Gregory Bowling
Jimmy Stevens
Linda T. Vick
Gracie Cain
Herschel Stringfield
Gerardo Licon

Others Present:

Bill Stern, Deputy Building Official
Kurt Fenstermacher, Deputy Director
Cynthia Osborn, Assistant City Attorney
Sergio Melendez, Building Combination
Inspector Supervisor
Nellie Avalos, Residential Inspector
Robert Gonzalez, Residential Inspector
Zully Davila, Residential Inspector
Sam Mendoza, Residential Inspector
Sonia Cahalan, Residential Inspector
Nancy Spencer, Recording Secretary

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

The Building & Standards Commission meeting, Panel "A" was called to order by Commission member Bill Stern at 5:40 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Introduction of new members.

Carlos Torres, Kelly Sorenson, Ben Bohannon, Matt Bohannon

Introduction of staff

III. Any changes to the agenda

IV. Review of the functions and role of the Building and Standards Commission

Bill Stern reviewed the importance of attendance to the meetings, quorum and notifying the office if unable to attend a meeting.

Overview of the vacant building ordinance. Bill Stern read the ordinance regulating the vacant building.

Victor Morrison Vega advised of changes to the ordinance. Officially made the BSC the appeal body.

Building Permits, review and approve plans, Code will do inspections, Fire Department will accompany inspectors to insure fire codes.

Public comment regarding when appeals are heard by James Erickson.

Cynthia Osborn asked if there was a time limit to hear the appeal. Advised there was not.

Advised of two panels, panel a and panel b case remains in panel which hears case.

Advised they can go before municipal court to hear the case.

Discussion on the appeal process with the building and standards commission. The next step is district court.

Public comment on the vacant building enforcement, appeal process, constitutionality by the staff, fire department, building services, city attorney

Review of the Property Maintenance Code

V. Open Meetings Act

VI. Upcoming appointments and reappointments

VII. 2011 BSC Meeting Schedule

VIII. Adjournment

7:05 p.m.